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LETTER RESPONDING TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 August 6, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Part of Reissue Application dated July 16, 2004, enclosed is the "Consent of Assignee" form under 37 C.F.R. 1.172, as well as the same form which serves as the Assignee's statement regarding the chain of title under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b). It is submitted that this document completes the record of the present application. It is also noted that this document was indeed submitted with the other papers of this Reissue Application together with a Letter on April 16, 2004, but perhaps this document was somehow lost.

If any questions arise regarding the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, Andrew D. Meikle (Reg. No. 32,868), in the Washington Metropolitan Area at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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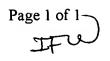
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF REISSUE APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this reissue application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- Consent of assignee is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that a reissue oath/declaration be accompanied by the written consent of all assignees.
- Assignee's statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) establishing ownership of the patent is missing. 37 CFR 1.172 requires that all assignees consenting to the reissue application establish their ownership interest in the patent by filing in the reissue application a statement in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b).

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